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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0028] with the following amended paragraph:

**[0028]** Referring to Figure 1, ~~therein is shown~~ a diagram for a secure delivery system 8 is shown for receiving parcels and letters. Customer 14 places an order with retailer 22 and provides a link to an Internet-based application. In one embodiment, the Internet based application is a web page 18, which is used to access customer profile information 15. Customer profile information 15 includes the location and address of the customer 14, the customer's name, a code 17 for operating a tamper-proof enclosure 10 (discussed below) and the location of the tamper-proof enclosure. The customer profile information 15 is held in a means for storing a plurality of customer profile information, typically in a computer database. Retailer 22 then ships the order to a delivery service 12 including information regarding the web page 18 and the customer[[s]] profile 15. The delivery service 12 then ships the goods to the tamper-proof enclosure 10 using the data in customer profile information 15.

Please replace paragraph [0030] with the following amended paragraph:

**[0030]** Figure 2 illustrates use of secure delivery system [[8]]9 for shipping a parcel. Customer 14 contacts delivery service 12 and notifies them of the need to pick up a parcel from tamper-proof enclosure 10 and also provides a link to the web page 18. Web page 18 is the Internet-based application used to gather and store customer profile information 15 such as, for example, the address, the code 17 for the tamper-proof enclosure 10 and

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the location of the tamper-proof enclosure 10. In additional embodiments of the invention, the customer profile information 15 also contains shipping account information or credit account information to pay for services and goods. Delivery service 12 then arrives at tamper-proof enclosure 10 using the code 17 provided from web page 18 and opens the tamper-proof enclosure 10 and removes the package to ship it to destination 20. When the tamper-proof enclosure 10 is open, routing hub 16 receives a status message 19 from tamper-proof enclosure 10 and forwards the status message 19 to customer 14. Thus, customer 14 is aware that the package has been picked up by delivery service 12 and is on its way to its destination 20. In another embodiment, tamper-proof enclosure 10 may also provide a status message 19 to routing hub 16 if the tamper-proof enclosure 10 is tampered with or disturbed.

Please replace paragraph [0039] with the following amended paragraph:

**[0039]** Individual identity numbers on each device allow for precise tracking of problems such as a burglary or other unauthorized entry. Specifically, by placing an identity number on each door in a building, the police 44 could use a map display on remote control 36 to determine the location of a burglar in a building by the movement of doors equipped as part of the system. This would make the building search safer for a police officer. In a building such as a home or office, doors 46 and windows would be part of the system. In a vehicle, such as a car 42 or a truck 41, the doors, windows, hood and truck would typically be equipped as part of the system.